

2024 HOWARD COUNTY FAIR - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, July 24th - Home Arts Entry – Non-perishable

5:00 - 8:00 pm Open Home Arts Entering: Arts & Crafts - Children/Teens/Adults; Clothing;
Fine Arts – Children/Teens/ Adults; Hand Spinning; Hand Weaving;
Needle Arts & Quilts; Photography; & Woodworking Home Arts Building

Thursday, July 25th - Home Arts Entry - Non-perishable

5:00 - 8:00 pm Open Home Arts Entering - See July 24 Home Arts Building

Friday, July 26th - Home Arts Entry - Non-perishable

3:00 - 8:00 pm Open Home Arts Entering - See July 24 Home Arts Building

Saturday, July 27th - Entry and Judging

9:00 am - Home Arts Judging - (all sections above)..... Home Arts Building

1:30 - 4:00 pm 4-H & FFA Indoor Non-perishable entry/judging..... Annex

Sunday, July 28th - 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK ORIENTATION

5:00/6:00 pm Dining Hall

Monday, July 29th - BICYCLE CONTEST

5:00 pm Show Ring

Thursday, August 1st – EXHIBIT ENTERING

5:00 - 8:00 pm Open Home Arts Entering (Perishable Entries): Baked Goods & Candies,
Food Preservation, 1st Flower Show, & Jr. Flower Show...Home Arts Building

6:00 pm Open Goat Show (Junior Doe Show) Sheep & Goat Barn

Friday, August 2nd - EXHIBIT ENTERING

8:30 am Open Goat Show (Senior Doe Show) Sheep & Goat Barn

3:00 - 8:00 pm Open Home Arts Entering (Perishable Entries): Baked Goods & Candies,
Food Preservation, 1st Flower Show, & Jr Flower Show ...Home Arts Building

1:00-4:00 pm Open Christmas Trees Entering: (Judging @ 5:00 pm) Annex

6:00-8:00 pm Open Farm & Garden Depts. Entering: Farm Crops, Fruits & Vegetables,
Honey & Beeswax, and Wool Fleece Annex

78th ANNUAL HOWARD COUNTY FAIR

Saturday, August 3rd – OPENING DAY – ARMED FORCES DAY

8:00 am **GATE OPENS**

8:00 am 4-H & FFA Canine Show Show Pavilion

8:30-10:00 am 4-H & FFA Indoor Entering & Judging: Baked Goods, Flowers,
Vegetables, Herbs, Honey, Candies, & Food Pres. Annex

9:00 am Open Jumper Schooling Show..... Horse Rings

9:00-12 Noon Open Farm & Garden Depts.: Entering: Farm Crops, Fruits & Vegetables,
Honey & Beeswax and Wool Fleece Annex

8:30 am Open Home Arts Judging – Baked Goods & Candies, Food Preservation,
First Flower Show, & Jr. Flower Show Home Arts Building

*****Home Arts Building Will Open to the Public on Saturday, August 3rd – 1:00 pm *****

10:00 am **Commercial Main Exhibition Hall Opens** Main Exhibition Building

12:00 Noon **MIDWAY OPENS**

12:00 Noon Junior Showmanship Show (Howard Co. Farm Bureau) Show Pavilion

1:00 pm Farm & Garden Departments Exhibit Judging Annex

1:00-2:00 pm Best Rhubarb Pie/Dessert Contests Entering (Judging @ 2:30pm) .. Home Arts Building

2:00 – 7:00 pm **Equine Exhibit** Horse Education Tent

3:00 pm **13th Annual Mule Jump** Contest Arena

4:00 pm 4-H & FFA & Open Jersey Cattle Show Show Pavilion

5:00 pm **Square Dance Demonstration** Entertainment Stage

6:00 pm **46th Annual Horse Pull** Contest Arena

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Saturday, August 3rd - Continued

7:00 pm **Square Dance** (Sponsored by Tom Thumb Dance Club). 4-H Activities Hall
7:30/9:00 pm **Dean Crawford & The Dunn's River Band** Entertainment Stage

Sunday, August 4th

8:30 am Draft Horse and Mule Show Horse Rings
9:00 am All Breeds ARBA Open Rabbit Show Poultry Barn
10:00 am 4-H & FFA Rabbit Bred By Exhibitor Contest Rabbit Pavilion
11:00 am Pretty Animal Contest Show Pavilion
11:30am-1:00pm **Ali Tod** Entertainment Stage
12:00 Noon **MIDWAY OPENS**
12:00 - 5:00 pm **MD Farriers Association Demo "Building Horse Shoes"** Horse Education Tent
12:30 pm Pie Eating Contest Show Pavilion
1:00 pm **Tour a Live Honey Bee Colony w/ a Beekeeper** 4-H Activities Hall Backyard
1:30 pm Howard County Farm Bureau Ag. Ambassador Contest Show Pavilion
Jr. Ag. Ambassador/Future Farmer/Little Miss Contests Show Pavilion
2:00 - 7:00 pm **Equine Exhibit** Horse Education Tent
3:00 pm **Tour a Live Honey Bee Colony w/ a Beekeeper** 4-H Activities Hall Backyard
3:00 pm **Billy Harrison & Haywire** Entertainment Stage
4:00 pm 4-H Champion Baked Goods Auction Show Pavilion
5:30 pm **"Farmer Wars"** Contest Arena
5:30 pm 4-H & FFA Breeding Meat Goat Show Show Pavilion
6:00 pm 4-H & FFA Market Goat & Showmanship Show Show Pavilion
6:00 pm 4-H Horsemanship Contest 4-H Activities Hall
7:30/9:00pm **Michael Christopher** Entertainment Stage

Monday, August 5th

8:30 am 4-H & FFA & Open Beef Cattle Show Show Pavilion
9:00 am Cleveland Bay Hunter Horse Show Horse Rings
9:00 am 4-H/FFA & Open Poultry Show Poultry Barn
9:00 am 4-H & FFA Dairy Goat Show then 4-H & FFA Pygmy Goat Show... Sheep & Goat Barn
10:00 am **Demonstrations Throughout the Day** Home Arts Building
10:00am-4:00pm **4-H Day! Activities (Closed Noon to 1:00 pm)** .. Annex & 4-H Activities Hall
2:00 pm **MIDWAY OPENS**
2:00 - 7:00 pm **Equine Exhibit** Horse Education Tent
5:00 & 7:00 pm **Sheep Dog Herding Performance** Horse Ring
5:00 pm 4-H & FFA Beef Showmanship & Steer Show Show Pavilion
7:30/9:00 pm **New Censation Band** Entertainment Stage

Tuesday, August 6th - SENIOR DAY (Seniors 62 & Older Admitted FREE - ALL DAY)

8:00 am BRAHA Arabian, Part-bred Arabian & Open Show Horse Rings
9:00 am 4-H & FFA Rabbit Show Rabbit Pavilion
9:00 am 4-H & FFA Swine Showmanship Show Pavilion
10:00 am **Demonstrations Throughout the Day** Home Arts Building
10:30am - Noon **Maryland Accordion Club Performance** Entertainment Stage
1:00 - 3:00 pm **Senior Day Bingo** 4-H Activities Hall
2:00 pm **MIDWAY OPENS**
2:00 - 7:00 pm **Equine Exhibit** Horse Education Tent
3:00 pm 4-H & FFA Swine Breeding Show Show Pavilion
4:00 pm 4-H & FFA Market Swine Show Show Pavilion
6:00 pm **19th Annual Mule Pulling Contest** Contest Arena
7:00 pm 4-H Dog Bowl, Food & Nutrition Bowl, & Poultry Bowl Annex
7:30 - 9:30 pm Open Mid-Week Flower Entry (Classes R07 - R11) Home Arts Building
7:30/9:00 pm **The Brown Brothers Band** Entertainment Stage

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Wednesday, August 7th

8:00 - 10:00 am	Open Mid-Week Flower Entry (Classes R07 – R11)	Home Arts Building
8:30 am	4-H & FFA Open Hand Spinners Sheep Show	Show Pavilion
8:30 am	4-H & FFA Rabbit Agility Contest	Rabbit Pavilion
9:00 am	English/Western Play Day Horse Show	Horse Rings
10:00 am	4-H & FFA Rabbit Showmanship	Rabbit Pavilion
10:00 am	Demonstrations Throughout the Day	Home Arts Building
11:30 am	Ag Leaders Luncheon - <u>BY INVITATION ONLY</u>	4-H Activities Hall
11:30 am	4-H/FFA & Open Commercial Sheep Show	Show Pavilion
2:00 pm	MIDWAY OPENS	
2:00 – 7:00 pm	Equine Exhibit	Horse Education Tent
3:00 pm	4-H/FFA Sheep Showmanship Contest & Market Lamb Show	Show Pavilion
4:00 pm	4-H & FFA Rabbit Bowl Contest	Rabbit Pavilion
5:30-6:45 pm	King Arthur Flour Baking Contest Entering - Judging @ 7:00 pm ...	Home Arts Building
6:30 pm	Lawn Mower Contest	Contest Arena
7:00 pm	4-H Small Pet & Wildlife Judging – Entering by 6:30 pm	Annex
7:30/9:00 pm	Streamline Rocks	Entertainment Stage

Thursday, August 8th

8:00 am	4-H & FFA Horse and Pony Show CANCELLED!	Horse Rings
8:30 am	4-H & FFA & Open Meat Breeding Sheep Show	Show Pavilion
9:00 am	4-H & FFA Rabbit Judging Contest	Rabbit Pavilion
9:00 am.	4-H & FFA Broiler & Market Turkey Contest	Poultry Barn
10:00am-4:00pm	Hands on History	4-H Activities Building
10:00 am	Demonstrations Throughout the Day	Home Arts Building
2:00 pm	MIDWAY OPENS	
2:00 - 7:00 pm	Equine Exhibit	Horse Education Tent
2:00 pm	4-H & FFA Dairy Showmanship	Show Pavilion
2:30 pm	4-H & FFA Dog Agility Trial	Horse Ring – Grass Area
3:00 pm	4-H & FFA Dog Rally Obedience	Horse Ring – Grass Area
4:00 pm	4-H & FFA & Open Dairy Cattle Show (Guernsey, Brown Swiss, and Milking Shorthorns).....	Show Pavilion
5:00 & 7:00 pm	Sheep Dog Herding Performance	Horse Ring
6:00 pm	4-H & FFA & Open Dairy Cattle Show (Ayrshire & Holstein) ...	Show Pavilion
6:00 pm	Skid Steer Contest	Contest Arena
7:00 pm	Talent & Variety Show	Entertainment Stage
7:00 pm	The Browningsville Band	4-H Activities Hall Patio

Friday, August 9th

8:30 am	4-H & FFA & Open Meat Breeding Sheep Show	Show Pavilion
9:30 am	4-H/FFA & Open Class Youth Horse Photography Contest ..	4-H Activities Hall
10:00 am	4-H/FFA & Open Class Youth Model Horse Show	4-H Activities Hall
10:00 am	Obstacle Challenge Schooling Horse Show (Gate opens @ 8 am) ...	Horse Rings
10:00 am	Demonstrations Throughout the Day	Home Arts Building
1:00 pm	Mounted Games Across America Demonstration	Horse Rings
2:00 pm	MIDWAY OPENS	
2:00 - 7:00 pm	Equine Exhibit	Horse Education Tent
5:45 pm	4-H & FFA Livestock Sale	Show Pavilion
7:30/9:00 pm	Jay Henley & the Stonebroke Band	Entertainment Stage

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Saturday, August 10th

8:30 am	MWHA Horse Show	Horse Rings
9:00 am	4-H Livestock Judging Contest.....	Show Pavilion
9:00 am	4-H Rocketry Contest.....	Upper Parking Lot
10:00 am	Demonstrations Throughout the Day	Home Arts Building
10:00 am	4-H Clover Livestock Skillathon.....	4-H Activities Hall
10:30 am	Baby Contest and Miniature Parade (Entries by 10:00 am)	Entertainment Stage
11:00 am	Antique Tractor Pull (Registration @ 9:30 am)	Contest Arena
11:00 am	4-H Junior Livestock Skillathon	4-H Activities Hall
12:00 Noon	4-H Intermediate Livestock Skillathon	4-H Activities Hall
12:00 Noon	MIDWAY OPENS	
12:30 pm	New Zoo Revue.....	Show Pavilion
1:00 pm	Senior 4-H Livestock Skillathon	4-H Activities Hall
1:30 pm	4-H Worm Race	Show Pavilion
2:00 - 7:00 pm	Equine Exhibit	Horse Education Tent
2:30 pm	4-H Sheep Lead Contest	Show Pavilion
5:00 pm	Parade of Floats	Midway Boulevard
6:15 pm	4-H Achievement Awards Ceremony.....	Show Pavilion
6:45 pm	4-H All Star Livestock Showmanship Contest.....	Show Pavilion
7:30/9:00 pm	Cody Clayton Eagle	Entertainment Stage

PREMIUM PAYOUT

Saturday, August 10th : 8 pm – 9 pm Show Ring

Sunday, August 11th : 10 am to 2:00 pm Fair Office

SPECIAL NOTICE

**Exhibit Halls Will Be Closed During Entry and Judging on Saturday, August 3rd.
Home Arts Building will open at 1:00 pm on Saturday, August 3rd.
Annex opening TBD**

**** ARMED FORCES DAY – Saturday (8/3) ****

Valid Military ID get you in FREE all day (Includes spouse & children under 18)

ADMISSION TO THE FAIR IS OPEN FROM 8 am til 10 pm

AMUSEMENT RIDES – Daily Specials!

Both Saturdays and Sunday - 12 Noon til 11 pm

Monday thru Friday - 2 pm til 11 pm

PETER WOOD: COLLECTOR OF THE IMPOSSIBLE! (Magic Shows)

Sat.(8/3),Mon.,Wed.,Fri.: 11am,12:30pm & 2pm

Sat.(8/10): 1,2,& 3pm

PIG RACES – 3 x Daily – Times TBD

PONY RIDES - Daily 10am – 10pm

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Check our website at howardcountyfairmd.com for

Up-To-Date Info on Fair Events and Nightly Entertainment

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KIDS & CRITTERS BARN (Barn 6)

Daily 9:30 am - 2 pm and 5 pm – 8:30 pm

LITTLE FARMER'S BUILDING

Daily 10 am – 7 pm

AGRICULTURE EDUCATION DISPLAYS (in Annex)

Saturday (8/3) TBD – Opens after Judging

Sun. thru Sat. (8/10) - Open 10 am – 9 pm

ANTIQUÉ FARM MACHINERY DISPLAY – Daily

HOME ARTS BUILDING

Sat. (8/3) Open 1 pm – 10 pm

Sun. thru Sat. (8/10) Open 10 am – 10 pm

ANNEX (4-H, Farm & Garden, & Ag. Ed. Exhibits)

Sat. (8/3) Opens after Exhibit Judging is completed.

Sun. thru Sat. (8/10) Open 10 am – 9 pm

MAIN EXHIBITION HALL

Both Saturdays, Sun., Thurs., & Fri. Open 10 am – 10 pm

Monday thru Wednesday Open Noon to 10 pm

BEER & WINE GARDEN (in Main Exhibition Hall)

Both Saturdays & Sunday Open Noon – 10 pm

Monday thru Friday Open 4 pm – 10 pm

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